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Four specimens of *Helix puella*, Brod.; five *H. pulcherrima*, Sowb.; and six *H. argillacea*, Fer., Timor, Philippines. Presented by Mr. Gregory.

Fifty species of European shells, and thirty-eight types of Mühlfeldt's Genera of Mollusca. From Dr. I. Lea.

Helix ænigma, Dohrn. From New Granada. Presented by Thos. Bland.

Six species of shells. From Samoan Islands. Presented by J. M. Emanuel.

Two specimens of *Vivipara lineata*, Val.; *Pupa contracta*, Say; *P. armigera*, Say; and *Conulus chersina*, Say. From Davenport, Iowa. Presented by D. S. Sheldon.

Several specimens of *Cypræa moneta*. From Rutgers College in exchange.

Eggs of *Loligo punctata*, DeKay; specimens of nidus of *Natica*; *Ilyanassa obsoleta*, Say; *Natica duplicata*, Say; *Mya arenaria*, Lin.; *Macra solidissima*, Ch., and seven other species. From Atlantic City, N. J. Presented by Geo. W. Tryon, Jr.

Eight specimens of *Hemimacra solidissima*, Chemn. From Atlantic City, N. J. Presented by Geo. W. Tryon, Jr.

Ten specimens of *Helix terrestris*, Ch. From Charleston, S. C. Presented by G. Mazyck.

Three specimens of *Microphysa Ingersolli*, Bland, Animas Valley, So. Colorado. Two *Pupilla alticola*, Ingersoll, Howardsville, Colorado. Presented by Ernest Ingersoll.

Two specimens *Dædalochila avara*, Say. From St. John's River, Fla. Two *Liostracus Dormani*, W. G. Binney, from Florida. Two *Helix Cumberlandiana*, Lea. From University Place, Franklin Co., Tenn. Presented by Chas. Duey.

Fifteen species of Marine Shells, from Santo Domingo and Turks Island, W. I. Presented by Wm. M. Gabb.

Respectfully submitted,

S. R. ROBERTS, *Recorder*.

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATOR OF ENTOMOLOGICAL SECTION.

In presenting this, the first annual Report of the Entomological Section of your Academy, the conservator of the same feels that it is difficult to render full justice to the Section at this time. The

Section as yet is in its childhood, and some time will be required to fully develop its vigor.

The American Entomological Society constitutes in its relation to the Academy of Natural Sciences the Entomological Section of the latter. Though working under different titles, they are essentially one and the same.

Under the terms mutually agreed upon by the two societies, the American Entomological Society held its first meeting in the building of the Academy on Feb. 14, 1876. After that meeting, the members of the Entomological Society took such action as was deemed necessary, culminating in a meeting held May 12, at which the Entomological Section of the Academy of Natural Sciences was fully organized, and entered upon the transaction of business as such. The American Entomological Society thereupon passed resolutions, directing that only two meetings should be held by it each year, said meetings to be held in June and December, for the transaction of business strictly belonging to it, and that all other stated meetings were to be those of the Section.

Under the above rule the Section has held thus far seven meetings, with an average attendance of seven members.

The meetings of the Section are held on the second Friday of each month.

During the past seven months, nine entomological papers have been presented for publication in the Transactions of the Society; seven of which have been reported upon affirmatively, and two are yet in the hands of committees.

Two members of the Academy have been elected members of the Section in addition to those originally constituting the same.

The conservator would report that the specimens in the collection of the Section are in good condition. He is not prepared to state at this time the actual number of specimens in the collection, the large number of undetermined specimens making it impossible for him to do so.

At a meeting of the American Entomological Society, held December 11th inst., the following was presented:—

“Resolved, That the sum of one hundred dollars from the funds of the Society be donated to the general fund of the Academy of Natural Sciences,” which resolution passed by a unanimous vote. In accordance with the above resolution, an order on the treasurer

of the American Entomological Society for \$100 is herewith presented to the Academy.

The following have been elected to fill the several offices of the Section for the year 1877:—

<i>Director</i>	John L. LeConte, M.D.
<i>Vice-Director</i>	Geo. H. Horn, M.D.
<i>Secretary</i>	C. A. Blake.
<i>Recorder</i>	J. H. Ridings.
<i>Treasurer</i>	E. T. Cresson.
<i>Conservator</i>	James Ridings.
<i>Publication Committee</i>	E. T. Cresson, J. L. LeConte, M.D., Chas. A. Blake, Geo. H. Horn, M.D., Chas. Wilt.

JAMES RIDINGS, *Conservator*.

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATOR OF THE BOTANICAL SECTION.

The Conservator presents this first report since the organization of the Botanical Section, upon the condition of, the additions to, and the needs of the Academy's Herbarium. The Section has been so recently established, that such a report may be expected to be but imperfect, and to be regarded rather as preliminary than otherwise. But as much work has been done during the year by the Committee on Botany, appointed under the old by-laws of the Academy, aided by the volunteer efforts of other members, who will, it is hoped, continue to co-operate with the Section, it will be proper to embrace a retrospect of what has been done during the whole year.

And first, the Conservator would congratulate the members of the Section and of the Academy, as well as the scientific public, that the botanical treasures of the Academy have been exhumed from the dusty and dingy den in which they were entombed in the former building, and that they are now made really accessible to students. The removal was accomplished at the beginning of the year. Before attempting to re-arrange the collection, the leading Herbaria of the country were visited, and the details of their